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Raised Bill No. 6788

LCO No. 3350



Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by:
(LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2015*) (a) Not later than October 1, 2015,
2 the Labor Department, in collaboration with Workforce Investment
3 Boards within the state, shall conduct a study of programs offered to
4 individuals seeking employment within the state. The topics of such
5 study shall include, but not be limited to:
- 6 (1) The location, ownership and management of Workforce
7 Investment Board offices within the state;
- 8 (2) The number of employees dedicated to assisting individuals
9 seeking employment in each Workforce Investment Board office;
- 10 (3) The number of individuals seeking employment who are served
11 through each Workforce Investment Board office on an annual basis;
- 12 (4) The number of employers, classified by industry, that utilize
13 Workforce Investment Boards throughout the state;

14 (5) The number of individuals who successfully find employment
15 through Workforce Investment Boards, and the nature of that
16 employment, classified by industry;

17 (6) The number of individuals who had successfully found
18 employment, and then lost that employment, who re-enroll in
19 Workforce Investment Board's programs;

20 (7) The type of training programs offered by each Workforce
21 Investment Board and the frequency that such training is offered;

22 (8) Whether training programs offered by individual Workforce
23 Investment Boards are planned in conjunction with the department to
24 maximize efficiency and avoid duplication of resources;

25 (9) The type and quality of casework assumed by each Workforce
26 Investment Board, including the process by which individuals seeking
27 employment are documented and the number of such individuals who
28 are served through each office;

29 (10) The funding sources for each Workforce Investment Board as
30 well as any in-kind contributions offered by the state including, but
31 not limited to, office space, utilities and equipment;

32 (11) Whether an individual seeking employment can simultaneously
33 participate in a state-operated employment program through the
34 department and a Workforce Investment Board program;

35 (12) The methods by which the department and Workforce
36 Investment Boards coordinate employment programs in each region of
37 the state; and

38 (13) The methods by which Workforce Investment Boards report to
39 the department and whether the resources currently allocated to the
40 Workforce Investment Boards by the department are adequate for the
41 operation of the programs offered by the Workforce Investment
42 Boards.

43 (b) Not later than January 1, 2016, the department shall submit, in
44 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
45 a report to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly
46 having cognizance of matters relating to labor detailing the findings of
47 the study conducted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
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| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2015</i> | New section |
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Statement of Purpose:

To conduct a study of programs offered by Workforce Investment Boards within the state.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]